

2012 Farm Bill Recommendations Form

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1. **APLU Component Organization:** [INSERT NAME]

2. **National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) programs to be reauthorized, combined, or eliminated:**

Program Name	Reauthorized? Combined? Eliminated?	FY 2012 Funding (\$M)	Recommended Funding (\$M)	Language Change? (Yes/No)	Justification for Increased Funding and/or Authorization Language Changes (for lengthy justifications, attach separate sheets)

3. **Current NIFA Programs with Mandatory Funding (Not Subject to Annual Appropriations):**

Program Name	Reauthorized? Combined? Eliminated?	FY 2012 Funding (\$M)	FY 2013 and Beyond Funding (\$M)*	Recommended Funding (\$M)	Justification for Increased Funding and/or Authorization Language Changes (for lengthy justifications, attach separate sheets)
Organic Research & Extension		\$20M	\$0M		
Specialty Crops Research		\$50M	\$0M		
Beginning Farmer & Rancher		\$19M	\$0M		
Biomass R&D		\$40M	\$0M		

* **Note:** The mandatory funding for these four programs is **not** included in the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) baseline beyond FY 2012. This means that the land-grant system must proactively advocate to provide future mandatory funding for these programs.

4. **Is NIFA working as intended? Are legislative enhancements and/or modifications required?**

5. **Is the broader USDA research, education, and extension structure and organization working as intended or are changes needed?**

6. **Other matters that the Committee on Legislation and Policy should address in connection with the 2012 Farm Bill:**